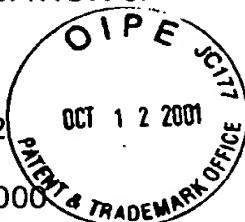


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In re PATENT APPLICATION of

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Sir:

Responsive to the Communication mailed June 21, 2001 (paper number 12),
kindly amend the application as indicated below.

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

✓ Kindly replace the existing paragraphs at page 4, lines 8-25 with the following
amended paragraphs.

Figure 1 illustrates zinc finger-DNA interactions, in which panel 1A illustrates a model of classical triplet interactions with DNA base triplets in Zif268 (SEQ ID NO.: 12 shown in the 5' to 3' direction and SEQ ID No.: 14 shown in the 3' to 5' direction); panel 1B illustrates a similar model showing quadruplet interactions (SEQ ID NO: 13 shown in the 5' to 3' direction, and SEQ ID NO.: 14 shown in the 3' to 5' direction); and panel 1C illustrates a model library design for recognition code determination